Argument in Favor of Measure J, South San Francisco Unified School District Election Date: November 2, 2010

Vote YES on J to continue improving student achievement in the South San Francisco Unified School District.

With qualified teachers and strong academic programs in reading, writing, science and math, our student test scores on statewide exams are on the rise.

In order to continue academic success, our aging schools—some are nearly 80 years old—require repairs and upgrades so that our local elementary, middle and high school students learn in modern, 21st-century classrooms and labs.

Deteriorating portable classrooms, outdated science labs, old roofs and aging classrooms must be repaired and renovated for student safety and a modern learning environment.

In order to be well prepared for college success and high-paying, 21st-century jobs, our students require safe schools with updated classrooms, science labs and technology.

Measure J will:

- Replace over 100 deteriorating portable classrooms with permanent classrooms
- Repair or replace deteriorating roofs
- Upgrade classrooms and restrooms to provide access for students with disabilities
- Upgrade science labs
- Provide classroom teaching tools and modern computer technology
- Upgrade fire detection, security, seismic and safety systems
- Improve energy efficiency and add solar panels to provide approximately \$1 million annually in savings and rebates to maintain small class sizes and retain qualified teachers and staff

Fiscal accountability provisions are required

- No funds for administrators' salaries
- All funds benefit local schools not one penny can be taken by the state
- Citizen oversight and annual audits ensure funds are used appropriately
- Qualifies local schools for state matching funds that would otherwise go to other communities

Measure J will create local jobs and boost economic activity in our community. Good schools also make our neighborhoods desirable and protect property values.

Join parents, teachers, community leaders, elected officials, business owners and retirees. Vote YES on J to continue raising the bar for local students.

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